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FORMER EL PASO BUSINESS MAN INDICTED FOR DEFRAUDING HIS EMPLOYER

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that Matthew Eladio Voykovic was indicted on mail and wire fraud charges. Mr. Voykovic was previously the branch manager for Penske Truck Lines (PTL) in El Paso. As branch manager, he supervised the trucking companies operations in El Paso, Texas and Albuquerque, New Mexico. His initial appearance is today at 3:00 (MST) before U.S. Magistrate Judge Robert Garney.

According to the indictment, an internal audit by the company revealed numerous discrepancies in Voykovic's office including trucks missing from its inventory with no accounting available to indicate what had happened to the trucks as well as multiple rental agreements made to fake companies.

Mr. Voykovic sold previously leased PTL trucks that PTL needed to move off its inventory list. In a normal transaction, the buyer usually issues a company or certified check to "PTL Fleet Sales Inc." However, the indictment alleges as part of Mr. Voykovic's fraudulent scheme, instead of the check being deposited into the actual PTL Fleet Sales, Inc. account, he would deposit these checks into a personal PTL Fleet Sales bank account. Oftentimes he would still report the sale of these vehicles to the PTL headquarters but would report the sale and pay to PTL headquarters less than the actual sale amount.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is being prosecuted for the government by Assistant United States Attorney Bill Lewis.

A indictment is a formal accusation of criminal conduct, not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until convicted through due process of law.

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